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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DIVERSION OF VENEZUELAN OIL

REF: CARACAS 9164 AND 9187

1. DEPT APPRECIATES YOUR TIMELY WARNING CONTAINED REFTELS OF GOV ACTION POSSIBLY FORTHCOMING AND WHICH COULD BE SERIOUSLY PREJUDICIAL TO CONTINUING FLOW OF VENEZUELAN PETROLEUM TO US MARKET.

2. GIVEN PRESENT REALITIES OF WORLD OIL SCENE, THIS IS DEVELOPMENT TO BE AVOIDED OR FORESTALLED IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.

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3. IF AVAILABLE EVIDENCE CONTINUES TO SUGGEST FOREGOING

AS REAL AND IMMINENT POSSIBILITY, YOU ARE REQUESTED UNDER-
TAKE TIMELY DEMARCHE AT LEVEL YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE IN
EFFORT TO HEAD OFF ANY SUCH ACTION. IN SO DOING, IT
WOULD SEEM APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL FOR YOU TO REFER TO
PRESENT SITUATION AND TO SUGGEST THAT VERY SEVERE REACTION
HERE COULD BE ANTICIPATED TO ANY MEASURE FURTHER COMPLICAT-
ING OR AGGRAVATING PROBLEM.

4. WE LEAVE TO YOUR DISCRETION EXACT TACTICS AND TERMINOLOGY
BEST SUITED TO THIS DIFFICULT APPROACH BUT IN GENERAL APPROVE
OF LINE SUGGESTED IN PARA 2 CARACAS 9187, COUPLED OF COURSE
WITH ASSURANCES OF OUR APPRECIATION FOR VENEZUELAN

COOPERATION IN THE PAST. IT SHOULD BE CLEAR, HOWEVER,
THAT WE CONSIDER IT OF PRIMARY IMPORTANCE THAT THERE BE
AT THIS TIME NO DIVERSION OR LIMITATION OF PETROLEUM
SUPPLY TO U.S. ON THE CONTRARY, OF COURSE, WE WOULD
WELCOME ANY INCREASE WHICH MIGHT BE FEASIBLE. KISSINGER

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